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# Detailed modelling of a large sample of *Herschel* sources in the Lockman Hole: identification of cold dust and of lensing candidates through their anomalous SEDs<sup>★</sup>

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## ABSTRACT

We have studied in detail a sample of 967 SPIRE sources with  $5\sigma$  detections at 350 and 500  $\mu\text{m}$  and associations with *Spitzer*-SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxies in the HerMES-Lockman survey area, fitting their mid- and far-infrared, and submillimetre, spectral energy distributions (SEDs) in an automatic search with a set of six infrared templates. For almost 300 galaxies, we have modelled their SEDs individually to ensure the physicality of the fits. We confirm the need for the new cool and cold cirrus templates, and also of the young starburst template, introduced in earlier work. We also identify 109 lensing candidates via their anomalous SEDs and provide a set of colour–redshift constraints which allow lensing candidates to be identified from combined *Herschel* and *Spitzer* data. The picture that emerges of the submillimetre galaxy population is complex, comprising ultraluminous and hyperluminous starbursts, lower luminosity galaxies dominated by interstellar dust emission, lensed galaxies and galaxies with surprisingly cold (10–13 K) dust. 11 per cent of 500  $\mu\text{m}$  selected sources are lensing candidates. 70 per cent of the unlensed sources are ultraluminous infrared galaxies and 26 per cent are hyperluminous. 34 per cent are dominated by optically thin interstellar dust (‘cirrus’) emission, but most of these are due to cooler dust than is characteristic of our Galaxy. At the highest infrared luminosities we see SEDs dominated by M82, Arp 220 and young starburst types, in roughly equal proportions.

**Key words:** gravitational lensing: strong – galaxies: evolution – galaxies: starburst – cosmology: observations – infrared: galaxies – submillimetre: galaxies.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

The combination of *Herschel* (Pilbratt et al. 2010) and *Spitzer* data provides us with the first 3–500  $\mu\text{m}$  spectral energy distributions (SEDs) of large samples of galaxies, for which we can accurately determine the masses of cold dust and search for very young, heavily

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obscured starbursts. The HerMES (Herschel Multi-tiered Extra-galactic Survey) wide-area surveys (Oliver et al. 2012) have been targeted on fields in which we already have excellent *Spitzer* data.

Over the past 20 years increasingly sophisticated radiative transfer models for different types of infrared galaxy have been developed, for example for starburst galaxies (Rowan-Robinson & Crawford 1989; Rowan-Robinson & Efstathiou 1993; Silva et al. 1998; Efstathiou, Rowan-Robinson & Siebenmorgen 2000; Takagi, Arimoto & Hanami 2003; Siebenmorgen & Krugel 2007), AGN dust tori (Rowan-Robinson & Crawford 1989; Pier & Krolik 1992; Granato & Danese 1994; Efstathiou & Rowan-Robinson 1995; Rowan-Robinson 1995; Nenkova, Ivezić & Elitzur 2002; Dopita et al. 2005; Nenkova et al. 2008; Fritz, Franceschini & Hatziminaoglou 2006; Hönig et al. 2006; Schartmann et al. 2008), and quiescent (‘cirrus’) galaxies (Rowan-Robinson 1992; Silva et al. 1998; Dale et al. 2001; Efstathiou & Rowan-Robinson 2003; Dullemond & van Bemmelen 2005; Piovani, Tantaló & Chiosi 2006; Draine & Li 2006; Efstathiou & Siebenmorgen 2009). Each of these model types involves at least two significant model parameters so there are a great wealth of possible models, particularly as a galaxy SED may be a mixture of all three types.

Rowan-Robinson & Efstathiou (2009) have shown how these models can be used to understand the interesting diagnostic diagram of Spoon et al. (2007) for starburst and active galaxies, which plots the strength of the  $9.7\ \mu\text{m}$  silicate feature against the equivalent width of the  $6.2\ \mu\text{m}$  PAH feature for 180 starburst and active galaxies with *Spitzer* Infrared Spectrograph (IRS) spectra. Increasing depth of the  $9.7\ \mu\text{m}$  silicate feature is, broadly, a measure of the youth of the starburst, because initially the starburst is deeply embedded in its parent molecular cloud. The detailed starburst model of Efstathiou et al. (2000) shows the evolution of the starburst SED through the whole history of the starburst, from the deeply embedded initial phase through to the Sedov expansion phase of the resulting supernovae. However Rowan-Robinson & Efstathiou (2009) did find that there was some aliasing between young starbursts and heavily obscured AGN: the submillimetre data of *Herschel* can help to break this ambiguity, since young starbursts are expected to be much more prominent in the far-infrared and submillimetre than AGN dust tori.

Often, however, we have only limited broad-band data available and in this situation it is more illuminating to use a small number of infrared templates to match the observed infrared colours (e.g. Rowan-Robinson & Crawford 1989; Rowan-Robinson 1992, 2001; Rowan-Robinson & Efstathiou 1993; Rowan-Robinson et al. 2004, 2008; Rowan-Robinson et al. 2005, 2008; Franceschini et al. 2005; Polletta et al. 2007; Magdis et al. 2012). A set of just four templates (a quiescent ‘cirrus’ component, M82- and Arp 220-like starbursts, and an AGN dust torus model) have proved remarkably successful in matching observed *ISO* and *Spitzer* SEDs, including cases where *Spitzer* IRS data are available (Rowan-Robinson et al. 2008; Farrah et al. 2008; Hernan-Caballero et al. 2009).

Following the discussion by Rowan-Robinson & Efstathiou (2009) of the Spoon et al. (2007) *Spitzer*-IRS diagnostic diagram, and our modelling of a sample of 68 HerMES sources (Rowan-Robinson et al. 2010), we have introduced two new templates in our automated fits to far-infrared and submillimetre data: a young ( $t = 0$ )  $A_V = 100$  starburst (our M82 and A220 starburst templates correspond to older starbursts with  $A_V = 50$ ,  $t = 40$  Myr, and  $A_V = 200$ ,  $t = 30$  Myr, respectively) and a cooler ( $\psi = 1$ ) cirrus model, where  $\psi$  is the ratio of the intensity of the radiation field to that in the solar neighbourhood (Rowan-Robinson 1992; Rowan-Robinson et al.

2013; see Section 3 below). Our standard cirrus model corresponds to the ratio of the intensity of the radiation field to that in the solar neighbourhood,  $\psi = 5$ . In this paper, we explore whether this simple six-template approach works for galaxies detected by the SPIRE array (Griffin et al. 2010) on *Herschel*, and what additional infrared components may be present. We apply the method to a large sample of *Herschel* sources,  $\sim 1000$  galaxies, in an area of the sky where we have a wealth of ancillary data at optical, near-, mid- and far-infrared wavelengths. We use physical models derived from radiative transfer codes to gain a deeper understanding of the evolutionary status of the infrared galaxies and the balance between starburst and quiescent phases. Submillimetre wavelength data reveal the presence of colder dust than is detected at far-infrared wavelengths.

Another key phenomenon in understanding submillimetre galaxies is gravitational lensing. Negrello et al. (2007, 2010) have shown that a significant fraction of bright  $500\ \mu\text{m}$  galaxies are lensed (see also Wardlow et al. 2013). In this paper, we explore whether anomalous excess submillimetre radiation in fainter galaxies may be due to lensing. Detailed SED modelling is needed to distinguish cold dust from the effects of gravitational lensing.

A flat cosmological model with  $\Lambda = 0.7$ ,  $h_0 = 0.72$  has been used throughout.

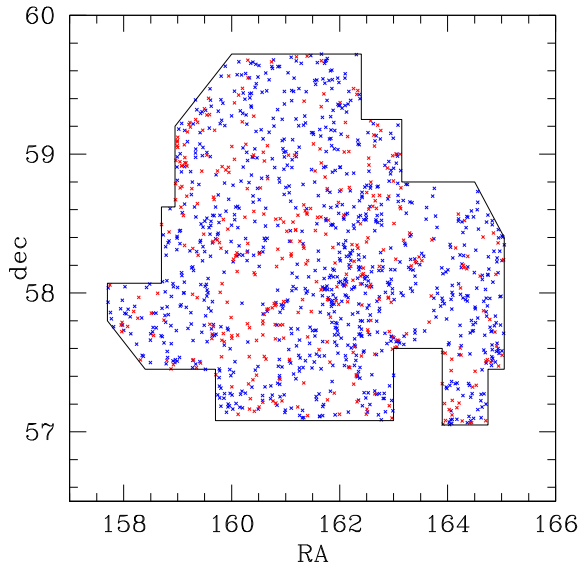
## 2 SELECTION OF SAMPLE WITH HIGH QUALITY FLUX-DENSITIES AT 24, 250, 350 AND 500 $\mu\text{m}$

In this analysis, we have focused on the HerMES<sup>1</sup> (Oliver et al. 2012) SCAT catalogue (Wang et al. 2014) in the SWIRE-Lockman area (Lonsdale et al. 2003), where we have optical and  $3.6\text{--}160\ \mu\text{m}$  *Spitzer* photometry, photometric redshifts, and infrared template fits from the SWIRE photometric redshift catalogue (Rowan-Robinson et al. 2008, 2013).

Our starting point is the HerMES SPIRE (SCAT)  $500\ \mu\text{m}$  catalogue (Wang et al. 2014) with sources detected at  $500\ \mu\text{m}$  without using any prior information from the other SPIRE bands (i.e. ‘blind’  $500\ \mu\text{m}$  catalogue). We choose this starting-point, rather than the XID catalogue of Roseboom et al. (2010), because we want to reconsider the process of associating SPIRE sources with *Spitzer*  $24\ \mu\text{m}$  sources. There are 2970 sources in the HerMES-Lockman area that are detected at better than  $5\sigma$  at  $500\ \mu\text{m}$ . Here, we are using the estimated total error, which includes the contribution of confusion noise,  $\sim 6.8\ \text{mJy beam}^{-1}$  (Nguyen et al. 2010). The process of building a band-merged catalogue begins by looking for associations with  $5\sigma$   $350\ \mu\text{m}$  SCAT sources, using a search radius of  $30\ \text{arcsec}$ . The SPIRE beam full width at half-maximum is  $18.2$ ,  $25.2$ ,  $36.3\ \text{arcsec}$  at  $250$ ,  $350$ ,  $500\ \mu\text{m}$ , respectively (Griffin et al. 2013). 2709 sources found associations and we shall ignore the 261 sources (8.7 per cent) which did not find associations with well detected  $350\ \mu\text{m}$  sources. Some of these may be high-redshift ‘red’ sources (Dowell et al. 2014) while others may be combinations of two or more fainter  $500\ \mu\text{m}$  sources. We note that 122 did find associations with  $350\ \mu\text{m}$  sources detected at  $4\text{--}5\sigma$  but we have not pursued these further here. Of these 2709  $5\sigma$   $350\text{--}500\ \mu\text{m}$  sources, 1335 lie in the area covered by the *Spitzer* SWIRE survey (Fig. 1) and it is this latter sample that we focus on in this paper.

We next associated the 1335  $350\text{--}500\ \mu\text{m}$  sources in the SWIRE area with  $250\ \mu\text{m}$  sources detected at better than  $5\sigma$ , using a search

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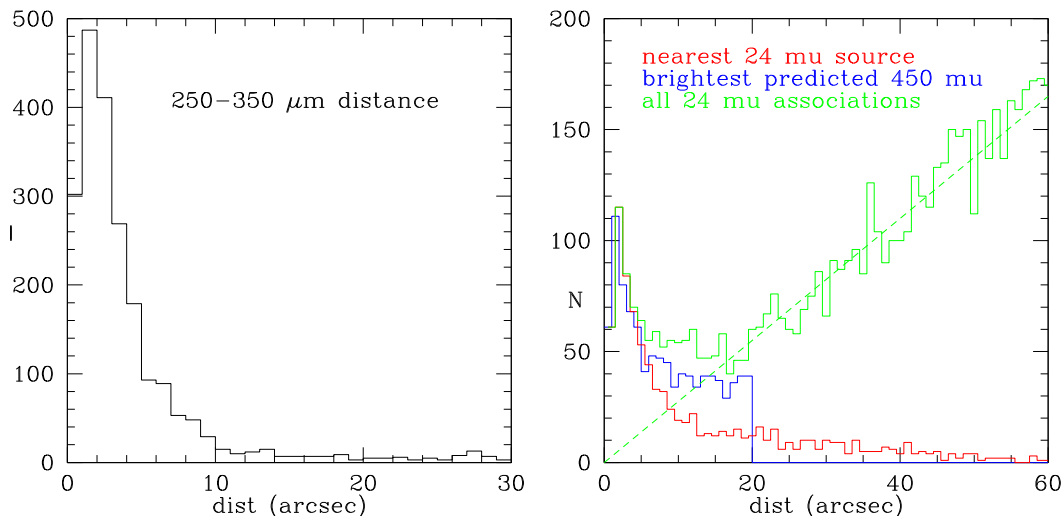
**Figure 1.** The region of overlap of the HerMES SPIRE survey area and the SWIRE photometric redshift survey in the Lockman Hole area. HerMES 500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources associated with SWIRE sources in blue, unassociated sources in red.

radius of 30 arcsec from the 350  $\mu\text{m}$  position. 879 found associations, and a further 163 found associations with 250  $\mu\text{m}$  sources detected at  $4\text{--}5\sigma$ . The remaining 293 350–500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources we regard as undetected at 250  $\mu\text{m}$ . Fig. 2 (left) shows the distribution of separations between SCAT 250 and 350  $\mu\text{m}$  sources. Most associations have separations  $<10$  arcsec (97 per cent are within 20 arcsec) and associations with separations in the range 20–30 arcsec should perhaps be treated with caution.

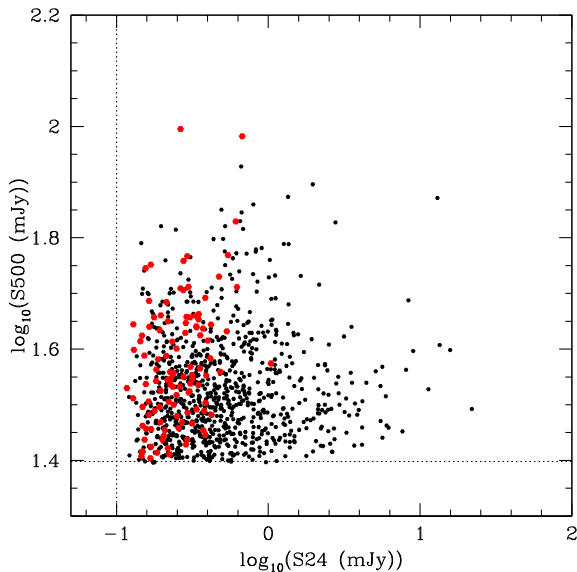
Finally, we associated the 1335 350–500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources with the SWIRE Photometric Redshift Catalogue (Rowan-Robinson et al. 2008, 2013), using a 20 arcsec search radius from the 250  $\mu\text{m}$  position (or 350  $\mu\text{m}$  if no 250  $\mu\text{m}$  detection), and requiring a 24  $\mu\text{m}$  detection brighter than 100  $\mu\text{Jy}$ , above which the SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  catalogue is  $\sim 95$  per cent reliable. The 24  $\mu\text{m}$  70 per cent completeness limit is  $\sim 300$   $\mu\text{Jy}$  in the Lockman field (90 per cent at 400  $\mu\text{Jy}$ ).

The SWIRE Photometric Redshift Catalogue contains over 1 million galaxies covering 49  $\text{deg}^2$  of sky, including 7.53  $\text{deg}^2$  in Lockman, which had been surveyed at 3.6–160  $\mu\text{m}$  by *Spitzer* and at *ugrizJHK* in ground-based surveys. Photometric redshifts were determined from *ugrizJHK* and 3.6, 4.5  $\mu\text{m}$  photometry (with up to 13 photometric bands available in the Lockman area) and the 5.8–160  $\mu\text{m}$  data were fitted with infrared templates. These allowed prediction of fluxes at submillimetre wavelengths. If more than one SWIRE source is associated with a HerMES SCAT source, the source with the highest predicted 450  $\mu\text{m}$  flux from the SWIRE Photometric Redshift Catalogue is selected. Thus, the redshift and the 5.8–160  $\mu\text{m}$  flux information are being used to select the best association. Inevitably there will be cases where the submillimetre flux should be assigned to more than one source because of the effects of confusion, and here a more sophisticated treatment would require comparison of multiwavelength maps. However, we believe our approach gives more reliable results than assigning flux purely on the basis of the 24  $\mu\text{m}$  flux, as in Roseboom et al. (2010). We found a total of 967 SWIRE associations, 73 per cent of the 1335 total. For 13 sources, two SPIRE sources selected the same 24  $\mu\text{m}$  source and in these cases we deleted the weaker 500  $\mu\text{m}$  source from the list. We expect the bulk of the 368 unassociated sources to be at redshift  $>1.5$ , given the SWIRE selection function. Fig. 3 shows 500  $\mu\text{m}$  flux-density versus 24  $\mu\text{m}$  flux-density for the associated sources. The 24  $\mu\text{m}$  limit of 100 mJy has little effect on the sample selection. Fig. 4 (left) shows the 250–350–500  $\mu\text{m}$  colour diagram with the loci of the infrared templates overplotted. The lower SNR 250  $\mu\text{m}$  sources tend to have bluer SPIRE colours and be at higher redshift.

This is essentially a 500  $\mu\text{m}$  selected sample, with the additional requirements of multiwavelength associations. The reason for making the selection at 500  $\mu\text{m}$  is to maximize the number of sources with photometry at all three SPIRE wavelengths, since the focus of this paper is on SED modelling. Our requirement of association with a SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  source discriminates against sources with  $S(500)/S(24) > 200$ , and our requirement of an entry in the SWIRE Photometric Redshift Catalogue discriminates against sources with  $z > 1.5$  (see fig. 14, left, of Rowan-Robinson et al. 2008). Selection at 500  $\mu\text{m}$  favours galaxies with cooler dust, than say selection at 70 or even 250  $\mu\text{m}$ .

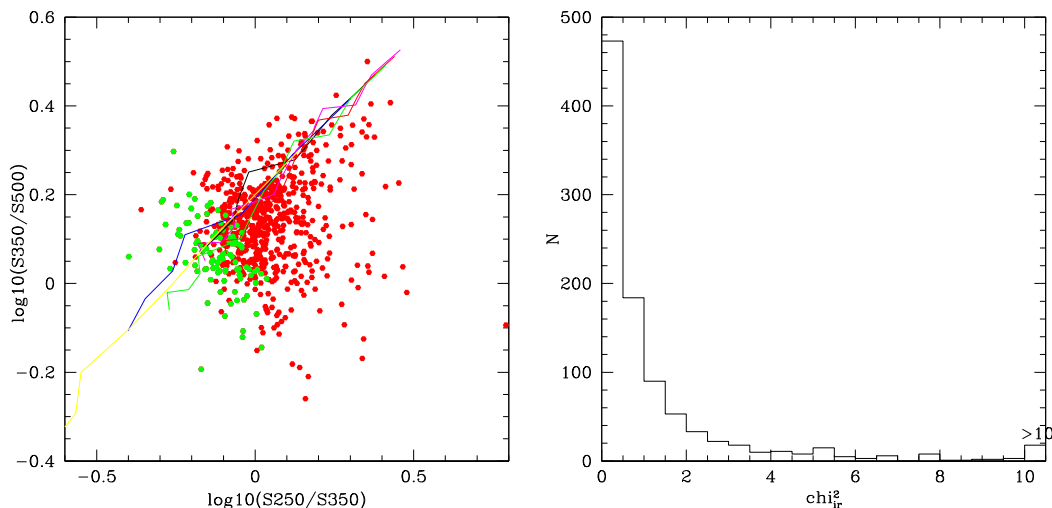


**Figure 2.** Left hand: distribution of separations between SCAT 250 and 350  $\mu\text{m}$  associations. Right hand: distribution of separations between SWIRE and SPIRE sources for nearest 24  $\mu\text{m}$  source (red), all 24  $\mu\text{m}$  sources (green), and the brightest predicted 500  $\mu\text{m}$  source (blue).



**Figure 3.**  $S_{500}$  versus  $S_{24}$  for Lockman-SCAT sources (red points: lens candidates, see Section 4). The dotted lines indicate the 500  $\mu\text{m}$  sensitivity limit of 25 mJy and the 24  $\mu\text{m}$  cutoff of 100  $\mu\text{Jy}$ .

Fig. 2 (right) shows the distribution of separations between SPIRE and SWIRE sources for the nearest 24  $\mu\text{m}$  source (in red), for all 24  $\mu\text{m}$  sources, and for our adopted associations with the SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  source within 20 arcsec with the brightest predicted 500  $\mu\text{m}$  flux. The green distribution shows the linear increase at large separations characteristic of random associations. Our procedure ensures that the incidence of chance associations is kept low, but will be higher where the separation is  $>10$  arcsec. Although our 500  $\mu\text{m}$  flux-density selection limit is set at five times the total error, including confusion noise, it is possible that a few 500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources are in fact blends of two or more fainter sources (see further discussion of the issues of confusion and misassociation in Section 5).



**Figure 4.** Left hand: 250–350–500  $\mu\text{m}$  colour–colour diagram for SCAT Lockman sources with  $5\sigma$  detections at 250 and 350  $\mu\text{m}$ , and which are also associated with SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  sources (red:  $>5\sigma$  at 250  $\mu\text{m}$ ; green:  $4\text{--}5\sigma$  at 250  $\mu\text{m}$ ). Coloured loci are for different templates, with  $z = 0$  at top right,  $z = 4$  at bottom left. Right hand: histogram of reduced  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}}$  from our automated six-template fit to our sample of 967 HerMES-Lockman galaxies.

### 3 SEDS OF HERSCHEL GALAXIES

We first ran an automated infrared SED-fitting code to the 3.6–500  $\mu\text{m}$  (10 photometric band) data for all 967 HerMES-SWIRE sources in Lockman, using the six infrared templates discussed in Section 1. Fig. 4 (right) shows a histogram of the reduced  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}}$  for these fits. The fits are satisfactory except that there is a long tail of high  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}}$  values. Fits where  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} > 5$ , of which there are 69 out of the 967 total, we regard as requiring further explanation, either in terms of photometry problems, a need for additional infrared templates, or as indicating the presence of gravitational lensing.

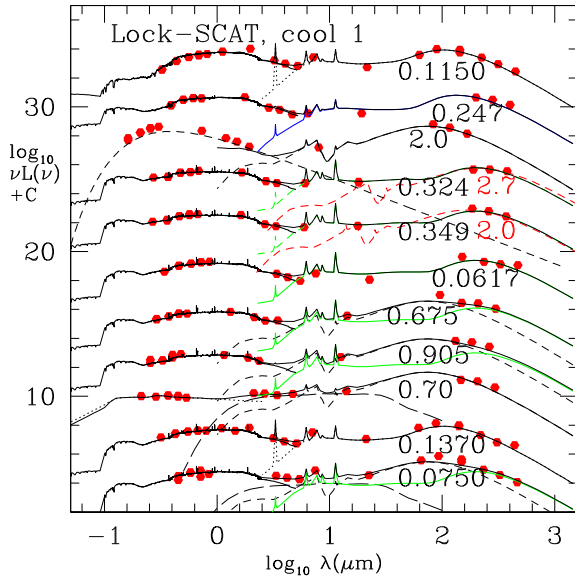
However, even where  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} < 5$ , we regard a solution where the luminosity in the optically thin ‘cirrus’ component is greater than the total luminosity in starlight (after correction for extinction), as unphysical and requiring further scrutiny.

We have plotted here (Figs 5–14, 18–23) the individual SEDs of a large sample of the 967 HerMES-SWIRE sources in Lockman, 259 sources in total. These are divided into four distinct subsamples: (1) sources with  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} > 5$  and at least 10 optical–NIR (0.36–4.5  $\mu\text{m}$ ) photometric bands, (2) sources with  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} < 5$  and at least 12 optical–NIR photometric bands, (3) sources with 10 photometric bands and  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} < 5$  but  $L_{\text{cirr}} > L_{\text{opt}}$ , (4) candidate gravitational lenses (see Section 4). Approximately half of the SED plots are not shown here but given in the online supplementary material.

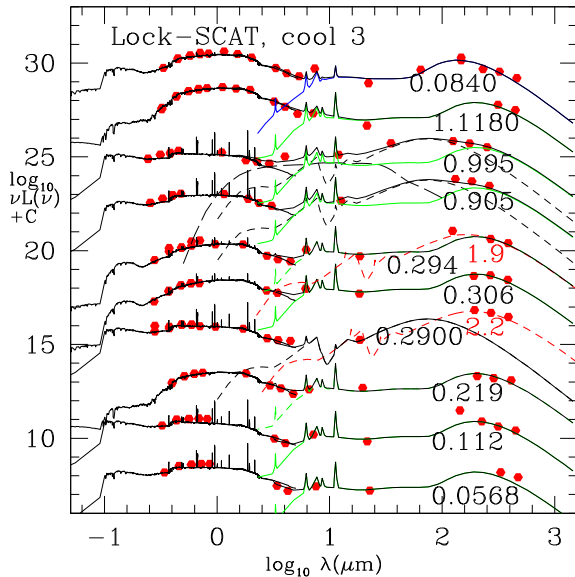
The individual SED modelling follows the methodology of Rowan-Robinson et al. (2005, 2008), but with some new features. Optical and near-infrared (NIR) data are fitted with one of six galaxy templates and two QSO templates, with the extinction  $A_V$  as a free parameter. Infrared and submillimetre data are fitted with a combination of seven infrared templates (three cirrus models ( $\psi = 5, 1, 0.1$ , see below), one of three starburst models (M82, A220, and a young starburst), and an AGN dust torus model). The ‘cool’ cirrus template ( $\psi = 1$ ) and ‘cold’ cirrus template ( $\psi = 0.1$ ), and the young starburst template are brought in following the demonstration by Rowan-Robinson et al. (2010) of the need for these templates when modelling *Herschel* sources. Most SEDs are well fitted by only one or two infrared templates, and in no case is more than four templates used.

Spectroscopic redshifts have been indicated in the SED plots by showing four decimal places. The accuracy of the photometric





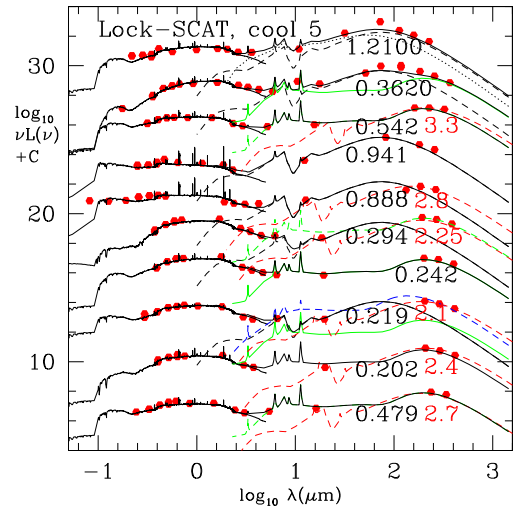
**Figure 5.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with at least 10 optical–NIR photometric bands and with  $\chi_{\text{ir}}^2 > 5$ . Cool cirrus models ( $\psi = 1$ ) are shown in blue, cold cirrus models ( $\psi = 0.1$ ) in green. Lens models are shown as red broken curves, with associated redshift of lensed galaxy in red. Black dotted curves are cirrus ( $\psi = 5$ ) or M82 starbursts, black dashed curves are Arp 220 starbursts and black long-dashed curves are AGN dust tori. Where a lensed galaxy is also shown with a cirrus template fit, the latter has been rejected as physically implausible because  $L_{\text{cirr}} > L_{\text{opt}}$ .



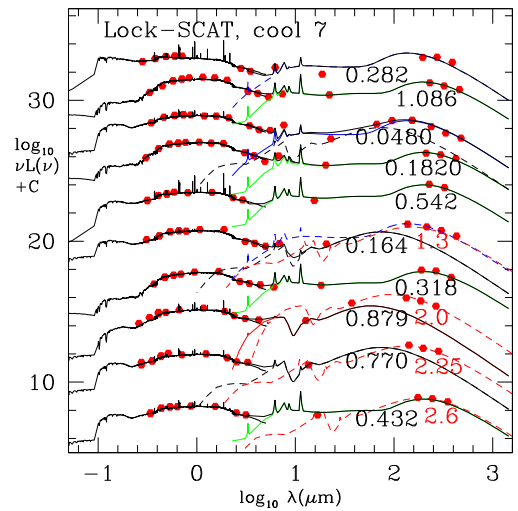
**Figure 6.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $\chi_{\text{ir}}^2 > 5$ . Colour-coding as in Fig. 5.

redshifts is  $\sim 4$  per cent in  $(1+z)$  for most of the galaxies, where six or more photometric bands are available (Rowan-Robinson et al. 2013). The full  $\chi^2$  distribution for each photometric redshift estimate is given in the SWIRE Photometric Redshift Catalogue. The optical galaxy templates are those of Rowan-Robinson et al. (2008) and are shown at full resolution in the SED plots.

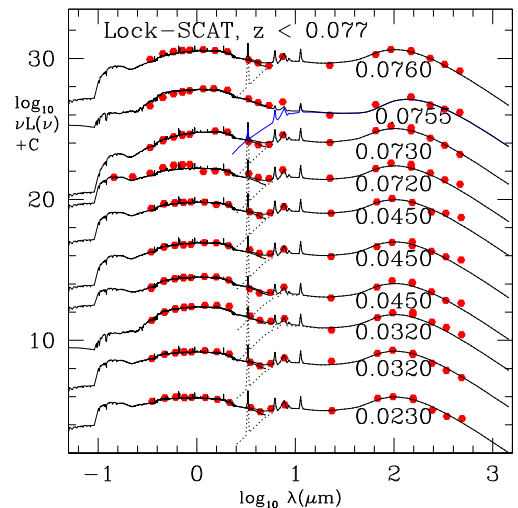
While the four standard infrared templates work well for many sources, the 350 and 500  $\mu\text{m}$  fluxes often require the presence of



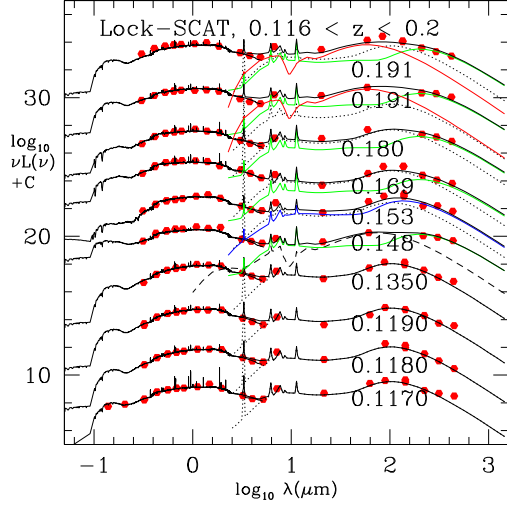
**Figure 7.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman 10-band galaxies with  $\chi_{\text{ir}}^2 > 5$ .



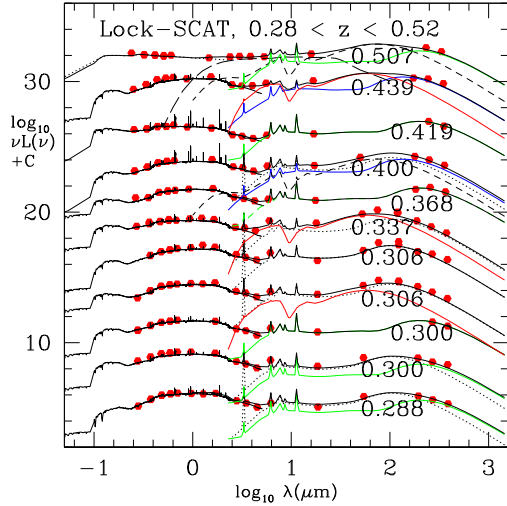
**Figure 8.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman 10-band galaxies with  $\chi_{\text{ir}}^2 > 5$ .



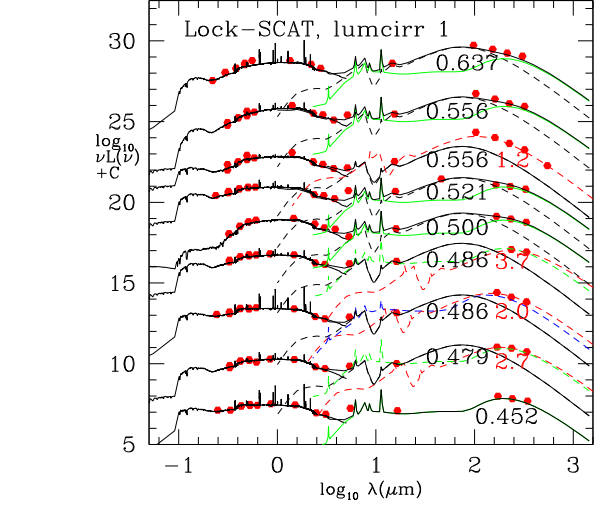
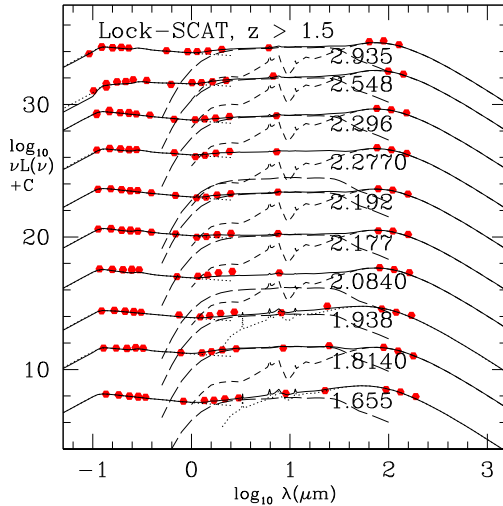
**Figure 9.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with at least 12 optical–NIR photometric bands and with  $z < 0.077$ . Photometric redshifts are indicated with only three significant figures. Colour-coding as in Fig. 5.



**Figure 10.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman 12-band galaxies with  $0.116 < z < 0.2$ . Solid red curves are young starbursts.

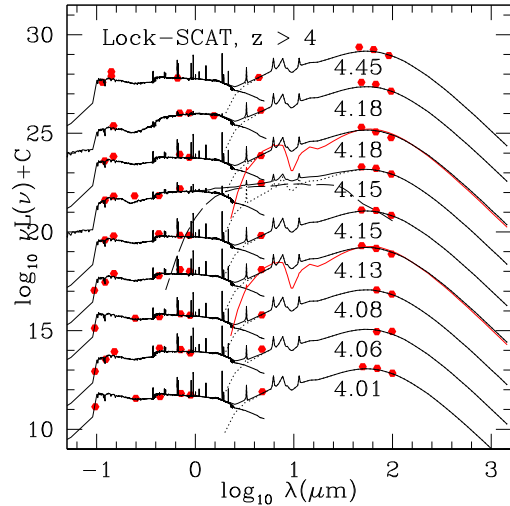


**Figure 11.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman 12-band galaxies with  $0.28 < z < 0.52$ .

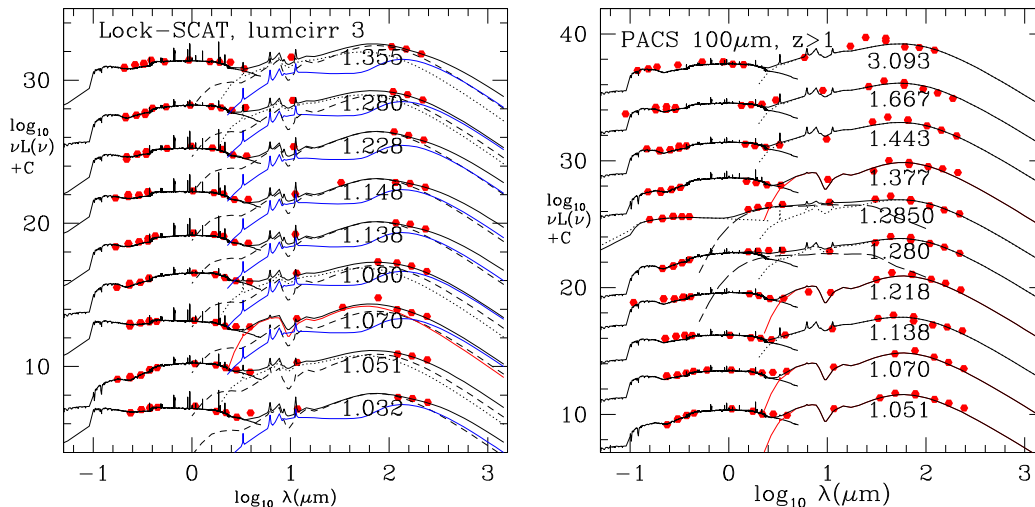


**Figure 13.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $L_{\text{cirr}} > L_{\text{opt}}$ . Colour-coding as in Fig. 5.

colder dust than is incorporated into our four basic templates. The two new cirrus templates used here are taken from the range of optically thin interstellar medium ('cirrus') templates developed by Rowan-Robinson (1992) and Efstathiou & Rowan-Robinson (2003). The key parameter determining the temperature of the dust grains for optically thin emission is the intensity of the radiation field, which we can characterize by the ratio of intensity of radiation field to the local Solar Neighbourhood interstellar radiation field,  $\psi$ . The standard cirrus template corresponds to  $\psi = 5$ , and this is the value used by Rowan-Robinson (1992) to fit the central regions of our Galaxy.  $\psi = 1$  corresponds to the interstellar radiation field in the vicinity of the Sun. We also find that some galaxies need a much lower intensity radiation field than this, with  $\psi = 0.1$ . The corresponding grain temperatures in the dust model of Rowan-Robinson (1992) are given in table 1 of Rowan-Robinson et al. (2010). For the two new templates, the ranges of dust grain temperatures for the different grain types are 14.5–19.7 K and 9.8–13.4 K,



**Figure 12.** Left: SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman 12-band galaxies with  $z > 1.5$ . Right: SEDs for seven-band SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $z > 4$ .



**Figure 14.** Left hand: SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $L_{\text{cirr}} > L_{\text{opt}}$ . Right hand: SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with redshifts  $> 1$ , determined from at least seven photometric bands, and PACS 100 and 160  $\mu\text{m}$  detections.

respectively. Full details of the templates used are given in a readme page.<sup>2</sup>

The need for cooler dust templates can also be seen clearly in a plot of  $S(500)/S(24)$  versus redshift (Fig. 16), in which the predictions of different templates are shown. At  $z < 1$ , a significant fraction of galaxies require colder dust than the standard cirrus model. Hints of this population were seen at  $z < 0.4$  in the plot of  $ISO\ 175/90\ \mu\text{m}$  flux ratio versus redshift (fig. 23) of Rowan-Robinson et al. (2004). Symeonidis et al. (2009) plotted a very similar figure,  $160/70\ \mu\text{m}$  flux ratio versus redshift, for *Spitzer* data. They interpreted this as implying strong evolution in the cold dust component. The need for cooler dust was also seen in the *Planck* study of nearby galaxies (Ade et al. 2011).

### 3.1 Problematic sources with $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} > 5$

First, we show the SEDs of problematic sources with  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} > 5$  in the automated six-template fit, for sources with redshifts determined from 10 optical and NIR photometric bands (Figs 5–8). Most have  $\log(S500/S24) > 2$  and  $z < 1$ . For over half the sources, the introduction of the cold cirrus template ( $\psi = 0.1$ ) solves the problem of the poor fit. In many cases none of our existing templates can match the observed SEDs. Since it is implausible to postulate emission from cold dust with a luminosity exceeding that of the illuminating starlight, the association of the submillimetre emission with the chosen SWIRE galaxy must be incorrect. A possible explanation is provided by galaxy lensing. In several cases, we have indicated fits to the submillimetre data with an Arp 220 starburst model at a higher redshift than that of the SWIRE galaxy.

### 3.2 Sources with good infrared template fits

We now show the SEDs for 69 sources with redshifts determined from at least 12 optical–NIR photometric bands and with  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} < 5$  (Figs 9–12). In almost all cases, the optical and NIR data are well fitted by the galaxy or QSO templates and the photometric redshifts look very credible. The infrared template fits to  $\lambda > 4.5\ \mu\text{m}$  data also look good. 20 galaxies need a cold cirrus component and

3 are gravitational lens candidates. The latter are cases where in the automatic fitting the submillimetre data are fitted with a cirrus component with luminosity greater than that of the starlight, so a physically implausible fit despite the acceptable  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}}$ .

The requirement of 12 optical and NIR bands biases the sample against high redshifts, so we also show the SEDs for sources with seven photometric band redshifts,  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} < 5$ , and  $z > 4$  (Fig. 12, right).

We also incorporated photometry from the PACS data (Poglitsch et al. 2010). The Lockman-SWIRE field was observed by HerMES (AOT Set no. 34; Oliver et al. 2012) using the SPIRE/PACS parallel mode. Maps were reduced using the UNIMAP software (Piazzo et al. 2012). Photometry was estimated by constructing a ‘beam’ from stacking the PACS map at the location of all 967 sources and fitting this beam to the location of each source (this does not include a correction for the extended PACS beam). We found 136 with  $S(100) > 80\ \text{mJy}$ , or  $S(160) > 120\ \text{mJy}$ . These thresholds (corresponding approximately to  $3\sigma$  detections and  $>95$  percent reliability) were selected after comparison with SWIRE 70 and 160  $\mu\text{m}$  fluxes, with predictions from our template fits, and from examination of individual SEDs. When these 136 sources lie in our SED plots (Figs 5–14), the PACS 100 and 160  $\mu\text{m}$  fluxes have been included and these are generally consistent with the SWIRE 70 and 160  $\mu\text{m}$  fluxes and the fitted models. We have also shown SEDs for 10 sources with PACS 100 and 160  $\mu\text{m}$  fluxes and  $z > 1$  (Fig. 14, right). The PACS fluxes generally agree well with the fitted models.

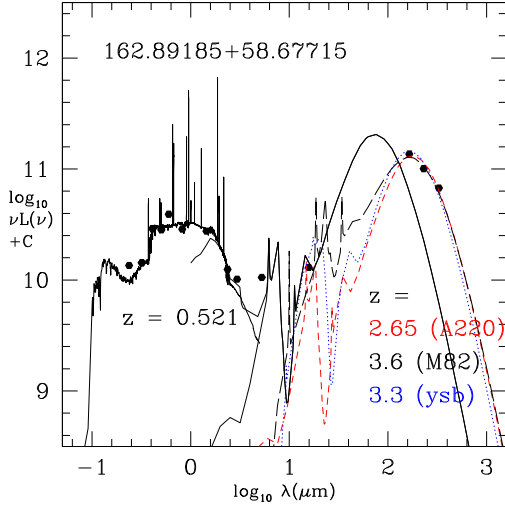
### 3.3 Problematic sources with $L_{\text{cirr}} > L_{\text{opt}}$

Figs 13 and 14 (left) show SEDs for sources with at least 10 optical–NIR photometric bands, and with  $\chi^2_{\text{ir}} < 5$ , but where  $L_{\text{cirr}} > L_{\text{opt}}$  in the automated six-template fits. While some can be fitted adequately by including a cold cirrus template without violating the  $L_{\text{cirr}} \leq L_{\text{opt}}$  requirement (and all at  $z > 0.92$ ), many require a lensing model to fit the submillimetre data.

In summary, the total number of candidate lenses from Figs 5–14 is 36. Is there an alternative explanation to lensing for these galaxies with excessive submillimetre radiation? Cold cirrus is not an option for these lensing candidates because the luminosity in cold dust would exceed that in starlight. Our association procedure ensures that there is no other more likely  $24\ \mu\text{m}$  association for

<sup>2</sup> <http://astro.ic.ac.uk/public/mrr/swirephotzcat/templates/readme>





**Figure 15.** SEDs for a candidate lensed galaxy (bottom galaxy in Fig. 11, right) with photometric redshift determined from 12 photometric bands, showing fits with Arp 220 (dashed), M82 (dash-dotted) and young starburst (dotted) templates.

the submillimetre source. Any other association would have an even worse SED-fitting problem. It is possible that in some cases we have a chance association of a  $z \sim 0.5$  SWIRE galaxy whose true submillimetre output is weak with a high-redshift luminous submillimetre galaxy which is undetected in the SWIRE survey. We discuss in Section 5 the probability for this to happen.

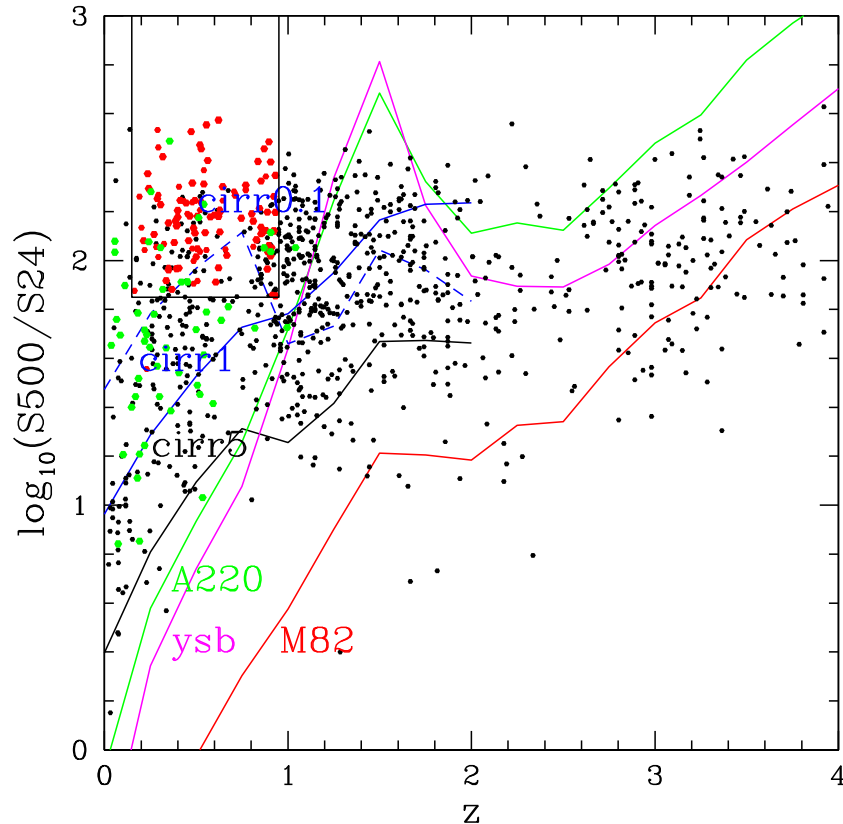
The lens model SED fits have an ambiguity about which starburst template to use. All fits shown use the Arp 220 template, but Fig. 15 illustrates ambiguity in redshift for a lensed galaxy from using the M82 or young starburst templates. The values of  $(1 + z_{\text{lens}})$  that we are quoting need to be multiplied by 1.25 if a young starburst model is preferred or by 1.36 if an M82-like starburst is preferred.

We now use these 36 candidate lenses to define regions of colour-redshift space to identify a further 73 lensing candidates from the sources with less than 10 optical-NIR photometric bands.

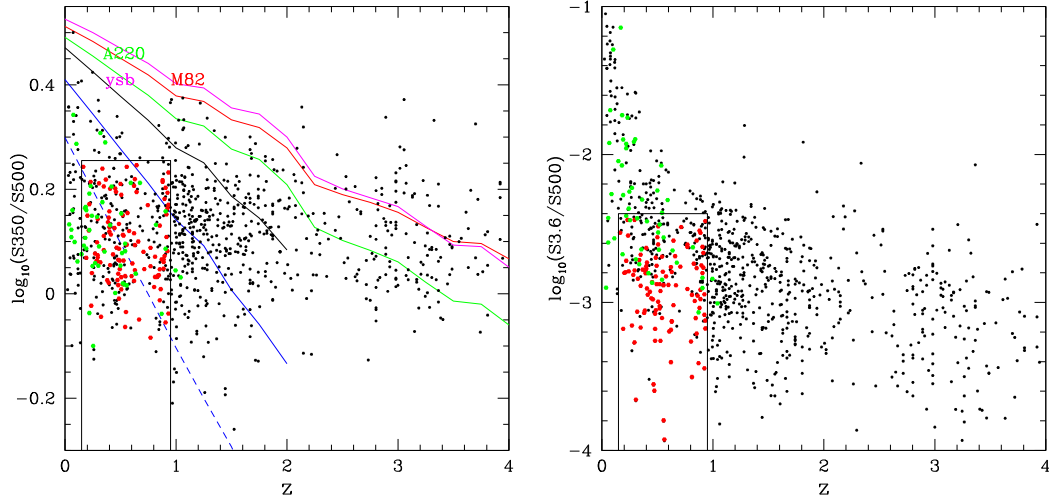
#### 4 USING COLOUR-REDSHIFT DIAGRAMS TO SELECT LENSING CANDIDATES

Our SED modelling of problematic sources with 10-band photometric redshifts has identified 36 candidate lensed galaxies, in which the optical and NIR data define the lensing galaxy and the submillimetre data are due to the background lensed galaxy. We now explore whether we can use colour-redshift plots to characterize lensing candidates amongst fainter sources, which generally have fewer photometric bands available.

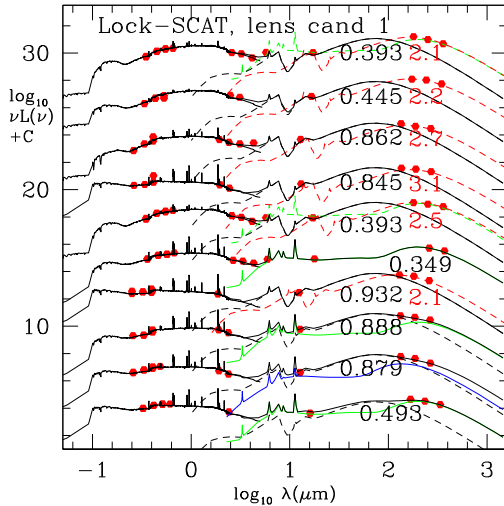
The 36 galaxies occupy a rather well defined area in the plot of  $\log_{10} S_{500}/S_{24}$  versus redshift (Fig. 16), which cannot be reached by our infrared templates. In addition, Wardlow et al. (2013) have shown that gravitational lens candidates have well-defined 250–350–500  $\mu\text{m}$  colours. Fig. 17 (left) shows  $\log_{10} S_{500}/S_{350}$  versus redshift for SCAT Lockman sources, with lens candidates shown in red. The Wardlow et al. criterion,  $S_{350}/S_{500} < 1.8$  does indeed include all our lensing candidates selected on the basis of their SEDs. We do not try to use the 250  $\mu\text{m}$  flux since some of our sources are not detected at 250  $\mu\text{m}$ .



**Figure 16.** 500/24  $\mu\text{m}$  flux ratio versus redshift for SCAT Lockman sources with  $5\sigma$  detections at 350 and 500  $\mu\text{m}$ , and which are also associated with SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  sources (filled black circles). Filled red circles: 109 lensing candidates; green filled circles: 50 galaxies requiring cold dust template ( $\psi = 0.1$ ).



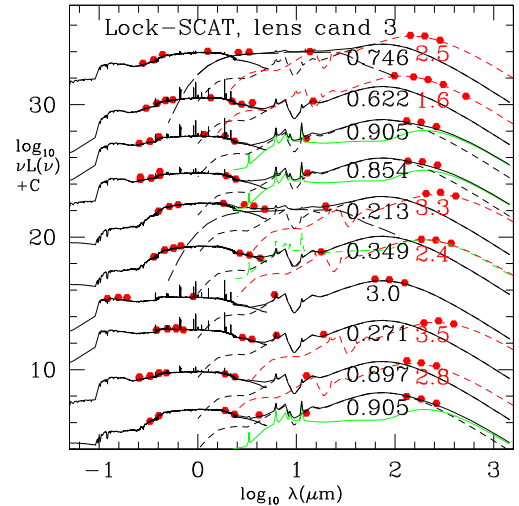
**Figure 17.** Left: 350–500  $\mu\text{m}$  colour versus redshift for SCAT Lockman sources with  $5\sigma$  detections at 350 and 500  $\mu\text{m}$ , and which are also associated with SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  sources. Lensed sources shown in red, galaxies requiring cold dust in green. Right: 3.6/500  $\mu\text{m}$  flux-ratio versus redshift for SCAT Lockman sources with  $5\sigma$  detections 350 and 500  $\mu\text{m}$  and which are also associated with SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  sources.



**Figure 18.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $<10$  photometric bands which are lens candidates according to the colour–redshift criteria of Section 4.

To capture the  $L_{\text{crr}} > L_{\text{opt}}$  indication of lensing we have plotted  $\log_{10} S_{3.6}/S_{500}$  versus redshift (Fig. 17, right), with lensing candidates on the basis of their SEDs in red. Again the lensing candidates occupy a well-defined area of this diagram.

We can now define criteria which lensed candidates in our sample are likely to satisfy:  $0.15 < z < 0.95$ ,  $\log_{10}(S_{3.6}/S_{500}) < -2.40$ ,  $S_{350}/S_{500} < 1.8$ , and  $\log_{10}(S_{500}/S_{24}) > 1.85$ . Here, we are assuming that the redshift determined from optical and NIR photometry applies to the lensing galaxy. We have modelled the SEDs of all the 117 galaxies satisfying all three criteria with redshifts based on less than 10 photometric bands (Figs 18–23). Of these, 44 could be fitted with our standard 7 templates and without violating  $L_{\text{crr}} \leq L_{\text{opt}}$  (21 of these involve cold dust). The remaining 73 are lensing candidates. Of the 117 sources satisfying our colour constraints, 63 percent are lensing candidates while 18 percent require cold dust. In total we have 109 lensing candidates, based on their SEDs, out of our total sample of 967 Lockman-SCAT-SWIRE sample (11.3 percent), or 8 percent of our Lockman-SCAT 500+350  $\mu\text{m}$



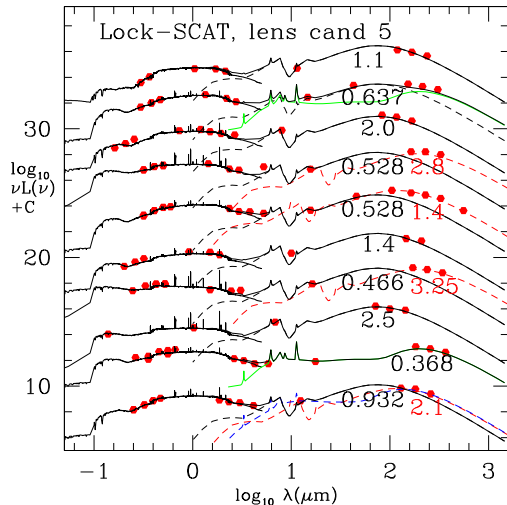
**Figure 19.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $<10$  photometric bands which are lens candidates according to the colour–redshift criteria of Section 4.

sample. These include the Wardlow et al. (2013) confirmed lens HLock04 and lensing candidate HLock06, which fall in the SWIRE area. HLock01 is not in our catalogue but would satisfy our lensing criteria. The stellar masses of our candidate lensing galaxies most lie in the range  $\log_{10} M_*/M_{\odot} = 10.5\text{--}11.5$ , with a mean value 11.0.

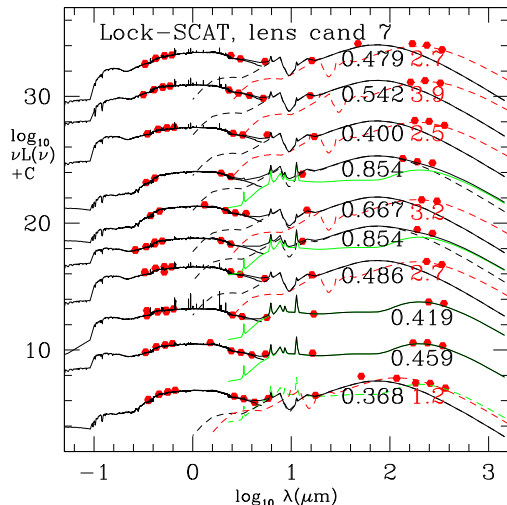
Our lensing criteria could be on the conservative side, because in some cases submillimetre emission could be lensed even though there is an acceptable fit to the SED from a non-lensed model. Some of the lensing candidates will be chance associations of a high-redshift submillimetre galaxy with a lower redshift 24  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxy (see the next section) and this can only be resolved by submillimetre interferometric imaging.

## 5 CONFUSION AND CHANCE ASSOCIATIONS

The restriction to  $5\sigma$  detections should ensure that most of our sources are distinct independent galaxies. The source-density of our sample corresponds to one source per 36 beams, so the probability



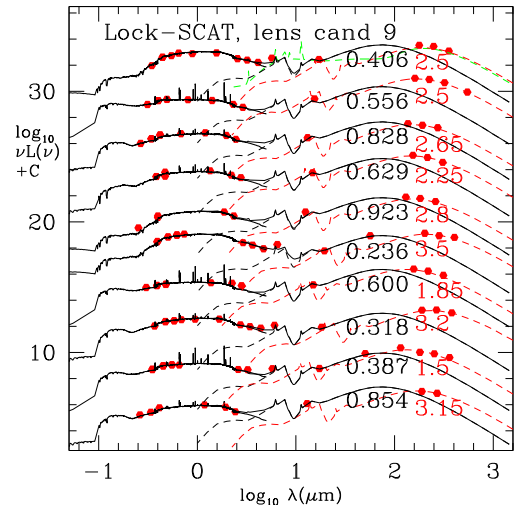
**Figure 20.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $<10$  optical-NIR photometric bands which are lens candidates according to the colour-redshift criteria of Section 4. Colour-coding as in Fig. 5.



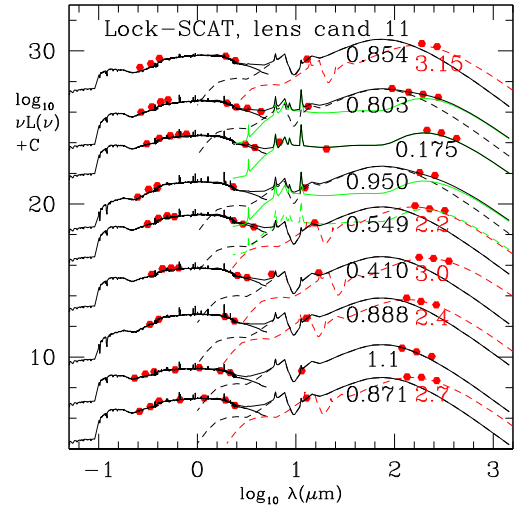
**Figure 21.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $<10$  photometric bands which are lens candidates according to the colour-redshift criteria of Section 4.

of a source being a blend of two fainter sources in the beam is low, ignoring correlations. However, the limited *Herschel* resolution, combined with the high source-density of *Spitzer*  $24\,\mu\text{m}$  sources, means that the issue of incorrect association between SPIRE and SWIRE sources is a serious one. This is especially important when we are claiming to identify the presence of unusually cold dust or of gravitational lenses from anomalous SEDs.

For our 109 gravitational lens candidates and the 50 sources whose SEDs we have claimed require the presence of cold dust, we have therefore very carefully examined the regions around the SPIRE sources for alternative associations. We have looked for all additional  $24\,\mu\text{m}$  associations (with  $S_{24} > 100\,\text{mJy}$ ) within 20 arcsec of the SPIRE position, which are either closer than our preferred association or are brighter at  $24\,\mu\text{m}$  (or both). 22 of the 109 lens candidates yielded a total of 25 alternative associations, while 8 of the 50 galaxies requiring cold dust yielded a total of 10 alternative associations. The remaining 87 lens candidates and 42 cold dust galaxies did not have an alternative  $24\,\mu\text{m}$  association.



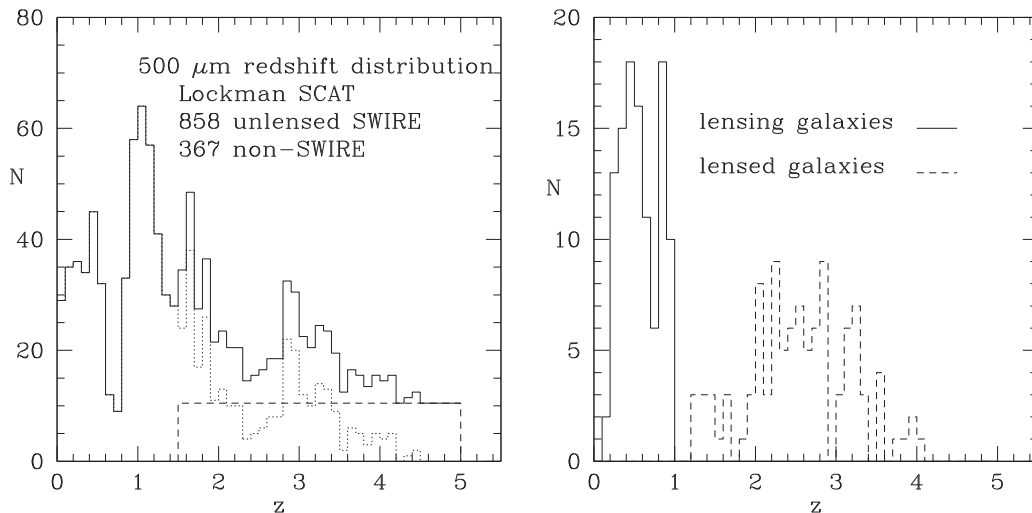
**Figure 22.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $<0$  photometric bands which are lens candidates according to the colour-redshift criteria of Section 4.



**Figure 23.** SEDs for SWIRE-Lockman galaxies with  $<10$  photometric bands which are lens candidates according to the colour-redshift criteria of Section 4.

We have modelled the SEDs of these 35 sources, assuming the  $250\text{--}500\,\mu\text{m}$  flux belongs to these alternative associations rather than our preferred association based on the predicted  $450\,\mu\text{m}$  flux. Of the 25 lens candidate alternative associations, 20 still needed a lensing model, 5 did not. Thus for 95 per cent of our lens candidates, there is no alternative to a lensing model, though there may be ambiguity about which galaxy is the lens in some cases. For  $\sim 5$  per cent of our lens candidates, the choice of a lensing model may be due to the wrong association. Clearly, there is a need for submillimetre interferometry to confirm the reality of these lensing candidates, and to clarify which  $24\,\mu\text{m}$  source is the lens in the ambiguous cases.

Of the 10 cold dust galaxy alternative associations, 6 require a lensing model, 1 requires a cold dust component, and 3 do not require a lensing model or cold dust component. We see from Figs 16 and 17 that some of the cold dust galaxies occupy the same regions of the colour-redshift diagrams as the lensing candidates, so there is ambiguity in the interpretation of their anomalous SEDs. However, most cold galaxies lie outside the zones occupied by



**Figure 24.** Left: redshift distribution for unlensed SCAT 500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources in Lockman. Sources not associated with SWIRE galaxies have been shown uniformly distributed between  $z = 1.5$  and  $z = 5$ . Right: redshift distribution for SCAT 500  $\mu\text{m}$  lensing galaxies (solid locus) and for corresponding lensed galaxies (dashed locus).

lensing candidates in Figs 16 and 17 (right), so there is a reasonably clear separation in the colours of lensing candidates and cold galaxies. If the luminosity in the submillimetre component is less than the optical–NIR starlight luminosity, we have assumed a cold dust interpretation, but a low-luminosity lensed galaxy interpretation cannot be excluded. Again submillimetre interferometry is the key to confirming the correctness of the cold dust interpretation, since these would be expected to be unusually extended because  $\psi$  is a measure of surface brightness, so for a given luminosity lower  $\psi$  implies a larger diameter for the dust cloud.

We also need to estimate the probability that the association of a  $z = 0.15$ – $0.95$  SWIRE galaxy with a 500  $\mu\text{m}$  source is spurious because the submillimetre source is in fact a background high-redshift galaxy without a SWIRE detection, which is associated with a foreground SWIRE galaxy by chance. For each of the 368 500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources which did not find a 24  $\mu\text{m}$  association, which are our candidate background high redshift galaxies, we estimate the probability of a chance association with a  $z = 0.15$ – $0.95$  SWIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxy, requiring that our lensing criteria (Section 4) be satisfied. We estimate 24 chance associations within the  $7.5^\circ$  Lockman-HerMES area, so  $\sim 22$  per cent of our lensing candidates could be chance associations of a 24  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxy with a background high- $z$  500  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxy.

Finally, we should consider whether the attribution of sources as lensing candidates could be due to catastrophic outliers in the photometric redshift estimate. Of the 109 lensing candidates, 65 have redshifts determined from at least nine photometric redshift bands, for which the probability of a catastrophic outlier is  $< 1$  per cent (Rowan-Robinson et al. 2013); 35 have redshifts determined from five to eight bands, for which the probability of a catastrophic outlier is 1–3 per cent, 8 have redshifts determined from 3 to 4 bands, for which the probability of a catastrophic outlier is 10–20 per cent; and 1 have redshifts determined from two bands, which are highly uncertain. So catastrophic outliers could account for up to five of the lensing candidates. From the SEDs, all the photometric redshifts look plausible.

To summarize, we estimate that  $\sim 5$  per cent of the candidate lensed galaxies could be due to catastrophic photometric redshift outliers,  $\sim 5$  per cent could be cases where the wrong SWIRE association has been chosen, and  $\sim 20$  per cent are likely to be

chance associations of a high-redshift 500  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxy with a lower redshift 24  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxy.

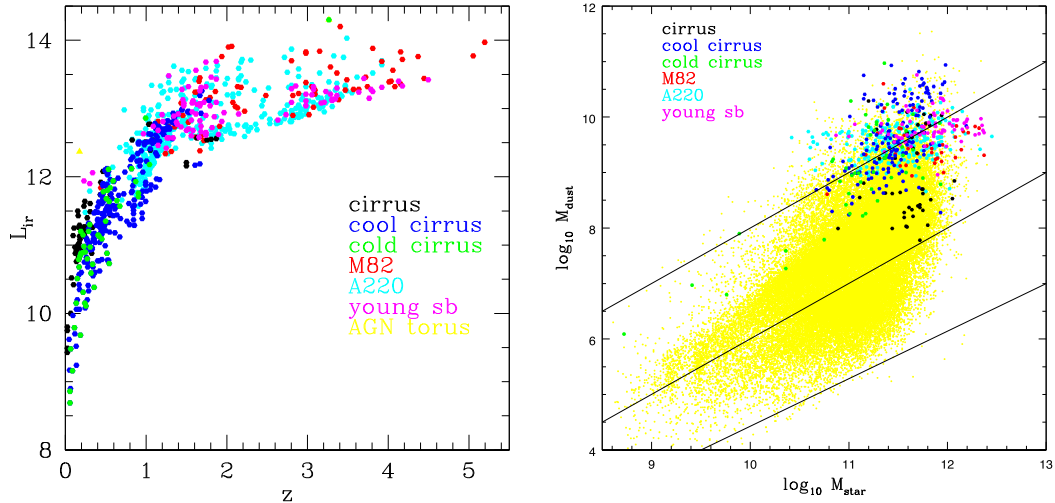
## 6 DISCUSSION

Fig. 24 (left) shows the redshift distribution for the 858 unlensed SCAT 500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources in Lockman which are associated with SWIRE galaxies (or QSOs). The 368 unassociated SCAT sources have been shown, arbitrarily, distributed uniformly between redshift 1.5 and 5. Fig. 24 (right) shows the redshift distribution for the 109 candidate lenses (in blue) and for the candidate lensed galaxies (in red) based on an Arp 220 fit to the submillimetre data.

Fig. 25 (left) shows the distribution of infrared luminosity (1–1000  $\mu\text{m}$ ),  $L_{\text{ir}}$ , with redshift for the 858 unlensed SCAT 500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources in Lockman which are associated with SWIRE galaxies (or QSOs), colour-coded with the dominant contribution to the luminosity. The absence of sources to the lower right reflects the selection effects at 24, 350, and 500  $\mu\text{m}$ , which are different for each template type. 598 galaxies (70 per cent) are ultraluminous ( $L_{\text{ir}} > 10^{12} L_\odot$ ) and 225 (26 per cent) are hyperluminous ( $L_{\text{ir}} > 10^{13} L_\odot$ ). 295 sources (34 per cent) are dominated by cirrus components, mostly cool ( $\psi = 1$ ) or cold ( $\psi = 0.1$ ) dust (only 46 of these were fitted by the warmer ( $\psi = 5$ ) dust characteristic of our Galaxy). Thus, 500  $\mu\text{m}$  selection favours galaxies with cooler interstellar dust than our own Galaxy.

By contrast, for 60303 *IRAS* Faint Source Catalog (FSC) galaxies selected at 60  $\mu\text{m}$  (Wang & Rowan-Robinson 2009, Wang & Rowan-Robinson 2014), 8 per cent are ultraluminous, and 0.7 per cent are hyperluminous. Only four *IRAS* FSC galaxies are definitely known to be lensed. 42 per cent are dominated by cirrus components, but only 6 per cent of these cirrus galaxies require cooler dust. Just 4 per cent of *IRAS* galaxies have  $z > 0.3$ , compared with 88 per cent of unlensed 500  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxies. Of course the surface density of *IRAS* FSC sources,  $2.0 \text{ deg}^{-2}$ , is very different from that of the Lockman-HerMES survey at 500  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  $180 \text{ deg}^{-2}$ . But over 80 per cent of *IRAS* FSC galaxies have  $z < 0.1$ , and the surface density of Lockman-HerMES 500  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxies with  $z < 0.1$  is only  $3.9 \text{ deg}^{-2}$ , so the surveys are quite well-matched in terms of the surface-density of nearby galaxies. It is clear that a wavelength of 500  $\mu\text{m}$  provides a dramatically different picture of the infrared





**Figure 25.** Left hand: the distribution of infrared luminosity,  $L_{\text{IR}}$ , with redshift for the 858 SCAT 500  $\mu\text{m}$  sources in Lockman which are associated with unlensed SWIRE galaxies. Black: cirrus ( $\psi = 5$ ); blue: cirrus ( $\psi = 1$ ); green: cirrus ( $\psi = 0.1$ ); red: M82 starburst; cyan: Arp 220 starburst; magenta: young starburst; yellow: AGN dust torus. Right hand:  $\log_{10} M_{\text{dust}}$  versus  $\log_{10} M_{\text{star}}$ , in solar units, for HerMES-Lockman galaxies superposed on distribution for whole SWIRE catalogue (yellow points).

galaxy population, with its window on high redshifts, very high luminosities, and colder galaxies, to that seen by *IRAS* at 60  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Having submillimetre fluxes not only gives us key diagnostic information on the nature of the infrared emission from galaxies, it also allows us to estimate the dust mass far more accurately. Fig. 25 (right) shows dust mass, calculated from our radiative transfer models as in Rowan-Robinson et al. (2010, 2013), versus stellar mass calculated from our stellar synthesis optical–NIR galaxy templates (Rowan-Robinson et al. 2008). The *Herschel* galaxies lie at the upper end of the dust-mass distribution seen for all SWIRE galaxies, shown as a yellow distribution. Much deeper submillimetre surveys would be needed to sample the full range of dust masses in galaxies.

Our results are not directly comparable with most other studies of the SEDs of SPIRE sources. Hwang et al. (2010), Symeonidis et al. (2013), and Magnelli et al. (2014) fit SEDs with a modified blackbody. Conclusions about correlation of ‘dust temperature’ with infrared luminosity or redshift correspond in our approach to variations in the proportions of different components. The modified blackbody approach gives no insight into whether the dust has high or low optical depth, or whether the galaxy is in a starburst or quiescent phase. Magdis et al. (2013) have studied a sample of 330 galaxies with  $S(24) > 5$  mJy in the SWIRE areas for which *Spitzer*-IRS data are available. Just 2 per cent of our sample are this bright at 24  $\mu\text{m}$  and there is no overlap with our sample. Their conclusions mainly concern PAH strength and AGN content.

We show the 500  $\mu\text{m}$  differential source-counts for 858 unlensed Lockman-SCAT-SWIRE sources + the 368 unassociated SPIRE sources, and for the 109 candidate lensed galaxies (Fig. 26). The total number of potential lenses, 24  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxies with redshift between 0.15 and 0.95 is 28 549, so the total area surveyed for lenses is found by multiplying this by the solid angle subtended by a typical Einstein ring. For  $z_{\text{lens}} \sim 0.5$ ,  $z_{\text{image}} \sim 3.0$ ,  $M_{\text{lens}} = 4.10^{11} M_{\odot}$  (allowing for the dark matter contribution), we estimate the radius of a typical Einstein ring as  $\sim 1.4$  arcsec. This yields a fraction of the 7.53  $\text{deg}^2$  surveyed for lenses as 1:520. This estimate is consistent with the lensing probability estimated from the CLASS survey by Browne et al. (2003) of  $1:690 \pm 190$ . From Wardlow et al. (2013), we estimate that a mean lensing magnification of 5 is appropriate for our  $S(500) = 25$  mJy selection. As a consistency check we have

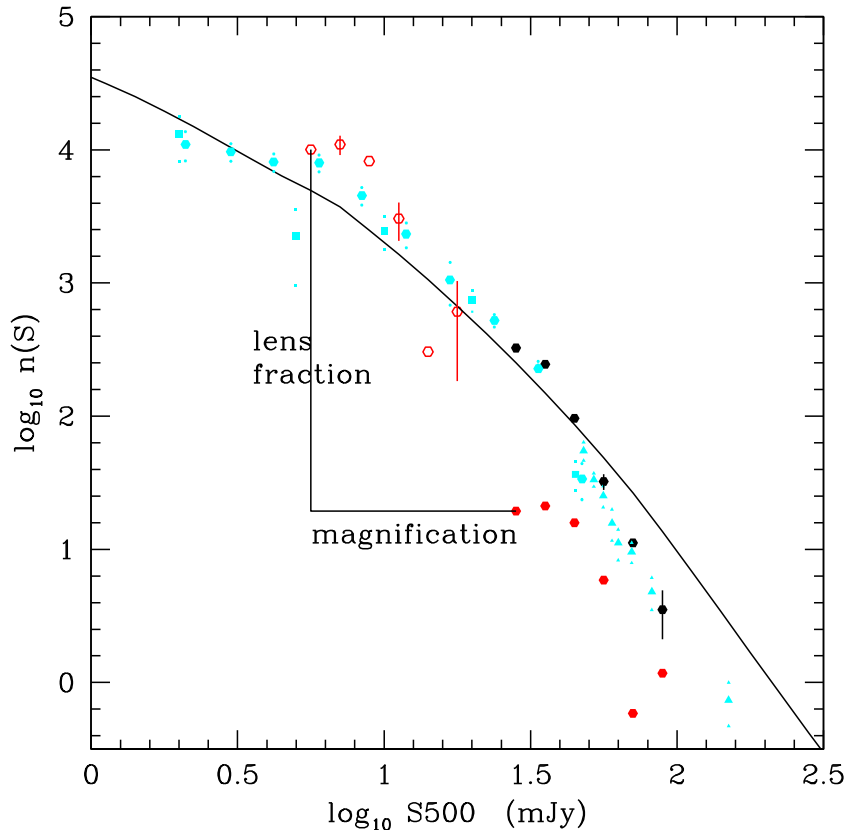
therefore shown the lensed galaxy counts corrected by this amount in flux-density, and by the factor 520 in number, i.e. we are demagnifying the observed counts of lensed objects and scaling by the lensed fraction to give a crude estimate of the unlensed counts for these objects. The resulting combined lensed and unlensed counts are plausible when compared with a compilation of observed counts and with source-count models (e.g. Rowan-Robinson 2009). However, they are also consistent with as many as 50 per cent of lens candidates with  $S500 < 50$  mJy being chance associations.

Gonzalez-Nuevo et al. (2012) have used SED arguments (but without the benefit of the all-important 3.6–24  $\mu\text{m}$  data) to define lens candidates down to  $S500 \sim 60$  mJy in the H-ATLAS survey, at a surface density of  $\sim 2$  sources  $\text{deg}^{-2}$ . Our lens candidate sample is much deeper, at 25 mJy, and with a surface-density  $\sim 14$   $\text{deg}^{-2}$ .

## 7 CONCLUSION

We have studied in detail a sample of 967 SPIRE sources with  $5\sigma$  detections at 350 and 500  $\mu\text{m}$ , and associations with SPIRE 24  $\mu\text{m}$  galaxies, in the HerMES-Lockman survey area, fitting their mid- and far-infrared, and submillimetre, SEDs with a set of seven infrared templates. Details of a full data table for the sample are given at <http://astro.ic.ac.uk/public/mrr/HermesLockmanreadme>. For almost 300 galaxies, we have modelled their SEDs individually. We confirm the need for the new cool and cold cirrus templates, and also of the young starburst template, introduced by Rowan-Robinson et al. (2010). We also identify 109 lensing candidates via their anomalous SEDs and provide a set of colour–redshift constraints which allow lensing candidates to be identified from combined *Herschel* and *Spitzer* data. The lensing candidates and the galaxies requiring cold dust to understand their SEDs need to be confirmed with submillimetre interferometry, optical or NIR imaging, and submillimetre or optical spectroscopy.

The picture that emerges of the submillimetre galaxy population is complex, comprising ultraluminous and hyperluminous starbursts, lower luminosity galaxies dominated by interstellar dust emission, lensed galaxies and galaxies with surprisingly cold (10–13 K) dust. 11 per cent of 500  $\mu\text{m}$  selected sources are lensing candidates. 70 per cent of the unlensed sources are ultraluminous



**Figure 26.** The 500  $\mu\text{m}$  differential counts ( $n(S) = dN/\ln S$ ,  $\text{deg}^{-2}$ ) for 858 unlensed Lockman-SCAT-SWIRE sources + the 368 unassociated sources (black filled circles) and lensed galaxies (red filled circles). The latter have also been shown corrected for an average lensing magnification of 5, and with the numbers multiplied by 520 to correct for the fraction of the Lockman area that is imaged by potential lensing galaxies (red open circles). A compilation of HerMES and ATLAS differential counts (Bethérmin, private communication) is also shown (cyan symbols). A representative count model prediction (Rowan-Robinson 2009) is also shown (solid curve).

infrared galaxies and 26 per cent are hyperluminous. 34 per cent are dominated by optically thin interstellar dust (‘cirrus’) emission, but most of these are due to cooler dust than is characteristic of our Galaxy. At the highest infrared luminosities, we see SEDs dominated by M82, Arp 220 and young starburst types, in roughly equal proportions.

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